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Applicant(s): Shuji NAKAGAWA

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Art Unit : 2872

Examiner : Arnel C. Lavarius

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed August 2, 2005, the term for response to which expires on November 2, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claim 1 is amended; claims 2-5 are maintained; claims 6-23 are canceled; and claims 24-26 are added.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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Amendment (9)

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Nalini P. Sahadeo

Dated: October 28, 2005

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